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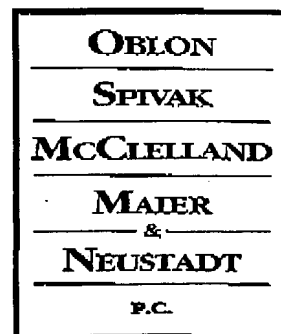
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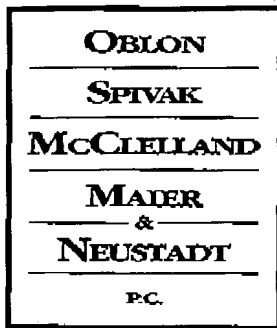
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Applicants hereby request a suspension of action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for a period of six (6) months from the filing date of the continuation application of U.S. Serial Number 09/431,223 under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(a).

Applicants are in the process of conducting further comparative tests along the lines suggested by the Examiner in the comments by the Examiner on the Declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 given in the Official Action mailed May 7, 2003. The requested suspension of action will result in the preparation and filing of a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 before the expiration of the requested six (6) month suspension of action.

The fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) accompanies the Petition.

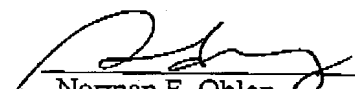
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- 34 pp. Specification 16 Claims/Drawings 0 Sheets and
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- Request for Priority
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